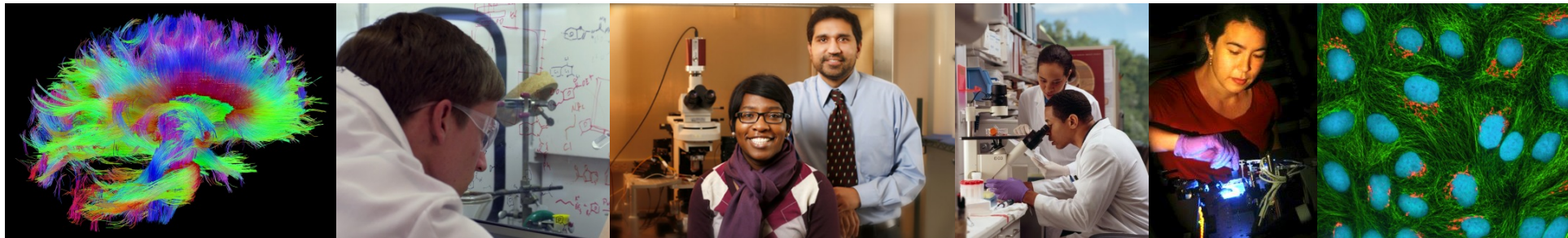


NIH Scientific Workforce Diversity Actions and Progress: 2014-2019

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Key Data Points Identified by the ACD WGD BRW

Context for Assessing Progress

National Data

- Small # URGs in STEM
- 504/year*

Research Project Grants** (R01eq)

- *Applications*
 - AA/B 1.3%
 - Hisp 3.4%
- *Awards*
 - AA/B <1%
 - Hisp 2.5%

AA/B applicants 13 %
points less likely to be
awarded R01

K Awards (K01, K08, K23)

- AA/B 4%
- Hisp 5%

NIH Training Awards

- Pre-doc F30/F31
 - AA/B 1.3%
 - Hisp 3.4%
- Post-doc F32/T32
 - AA/B 1.3%
 - Hisp 3.4%

URG - 10% all pre-doc
awards
URG - 8.1% NIH-
sponsored post-docs

* Biological science, chemistry, and physics – 2000-2008
(NSF women, minorities and people with disabilities report 2011)

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Original 2012 ACD WGD BRW Recommendations

PIPELINE

- #3 additional financial support for undergraduates
- #1 systematic review and evaluation of all diversity programs
- #4 assess reason for disparity in grant awards
- #6 establish ACD Diversity Working Group
- #2 develop interest in STEM in K-12 and beyond

MENTORING

- #5 establish a system of mentorship “networks”

PEER REVIEW

- #9 establish ACD Diversity Working Group Subcommittee on Peer Review
- #10 implicit bias/diversity awareness training for scientific review and program officers
- #11 design experiment to determine effects of application anonymization
- #7 more detailed explanation for unscored grant applications

INFRASTRUCTURE

- #8 establish bold, multi-year awards to enhance diversity at under-resourced institutions
- #12 appoint chief diversity officer and establish office of diversity
- #13 more comprehensive search for tenure-track investigators (e.g., Stadtman search)

Interpreting R01 Success Rates in Context of Decline in Pay Lines:

Gap Persists but is Slightly Narrowed

30% OF FUNDING GAP
ATTRIBUTABLE TO
APPLICANT &
REVIEWER TOPIC
PREFERENCE

(Hoppe, et al. in press)

Success rate for Type 1 R01 (Ginther et al. 2011):
FY 2000 – 2006

African American applicants: 17.1%

White applicants: 29.3%

Differential success (AA:W) 0.58

Success rate for Type 1 R01-Equivalent:
FY 2013 - 2018

African American applicants: 11.3%

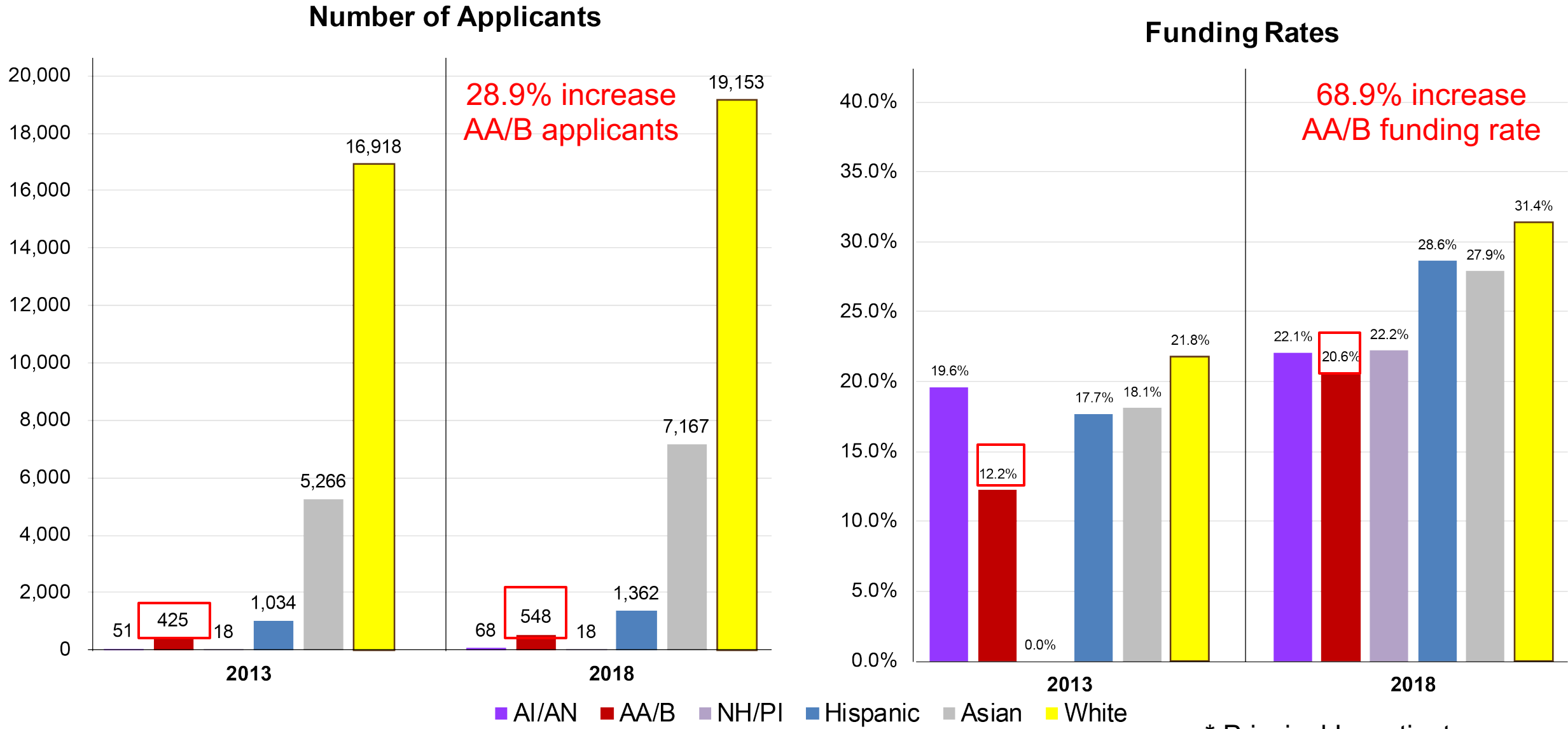
White applicants: 18.1%

Differential success (AA:W) 0.63

Cochran-Mantel-Haenszel statistics

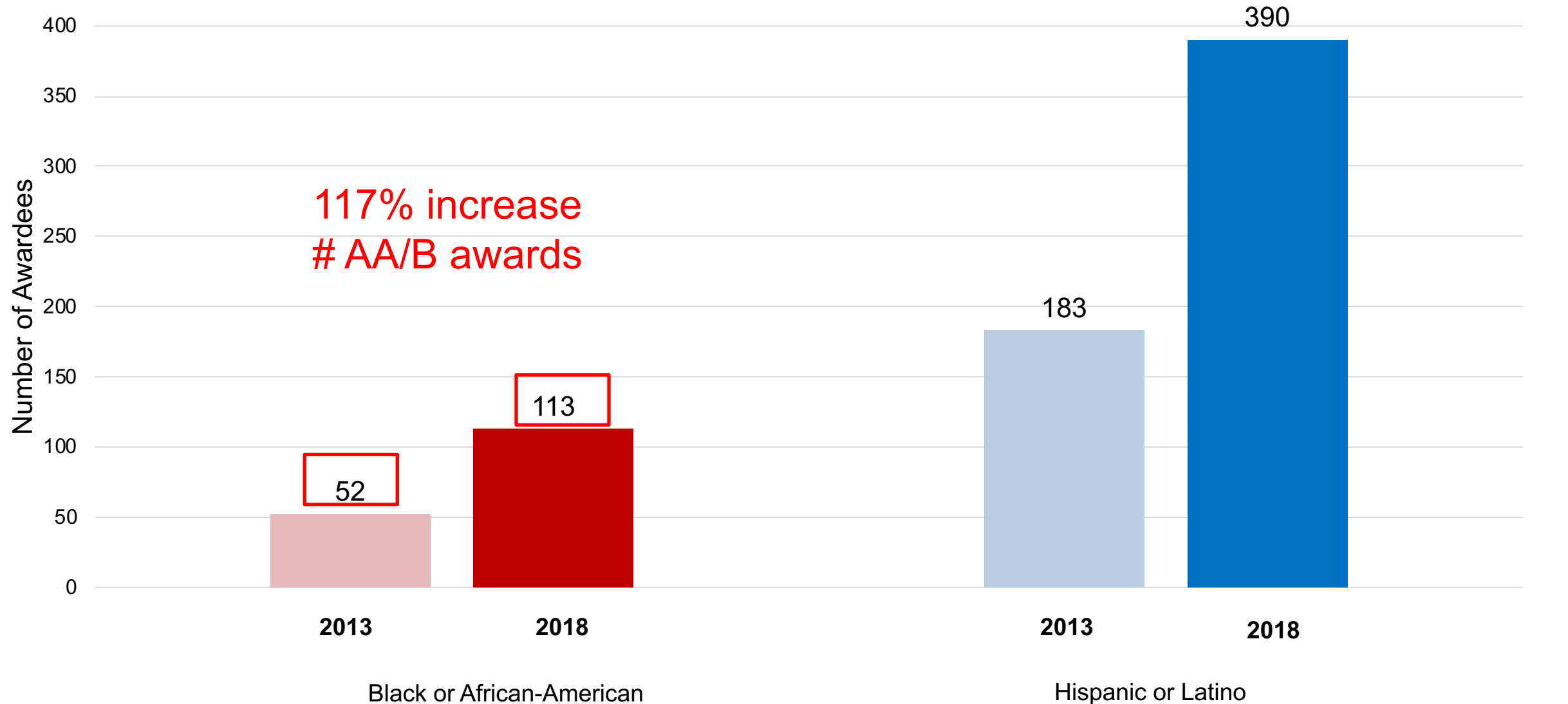
Effect of race adjusted for time
period: 184.45, $p < 0.0001$

R01eq Applicants* and Funding Rates (Type 1 and 2) Race/Ethnicity FY2013 and FY2018



* Principal Investigators

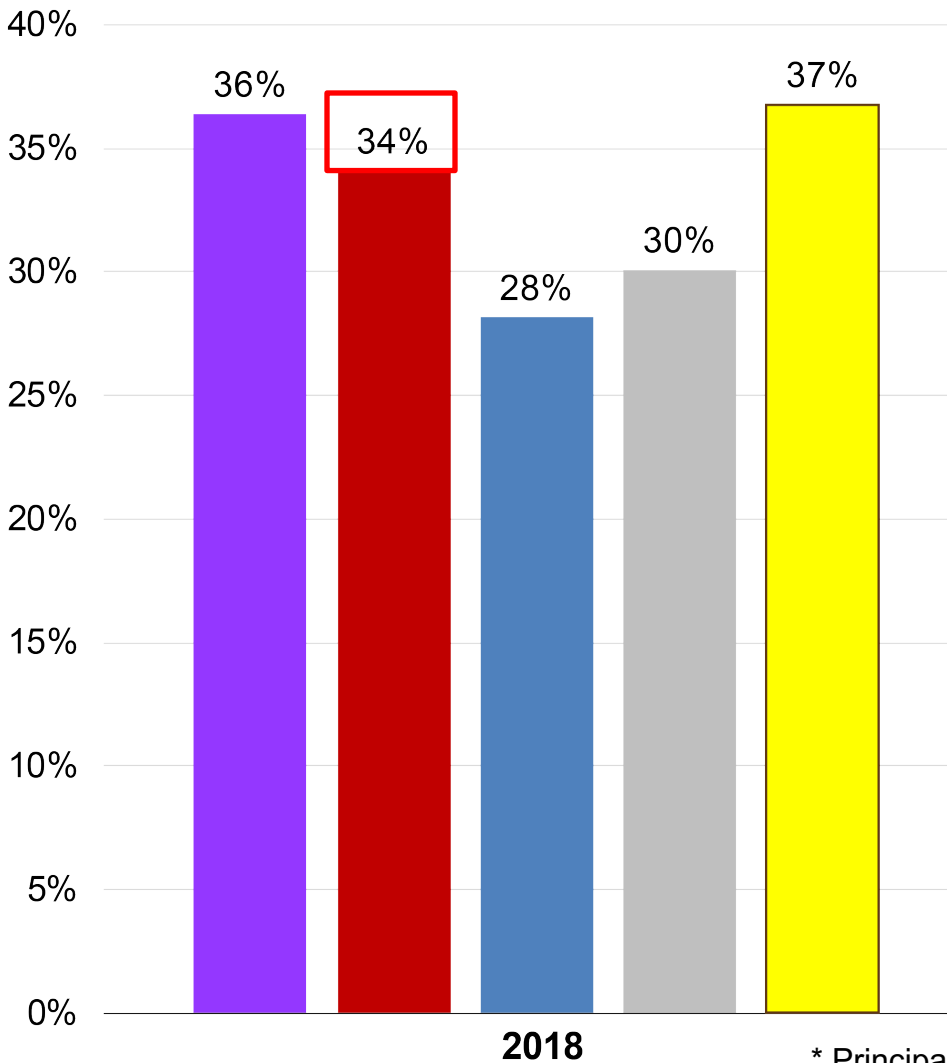
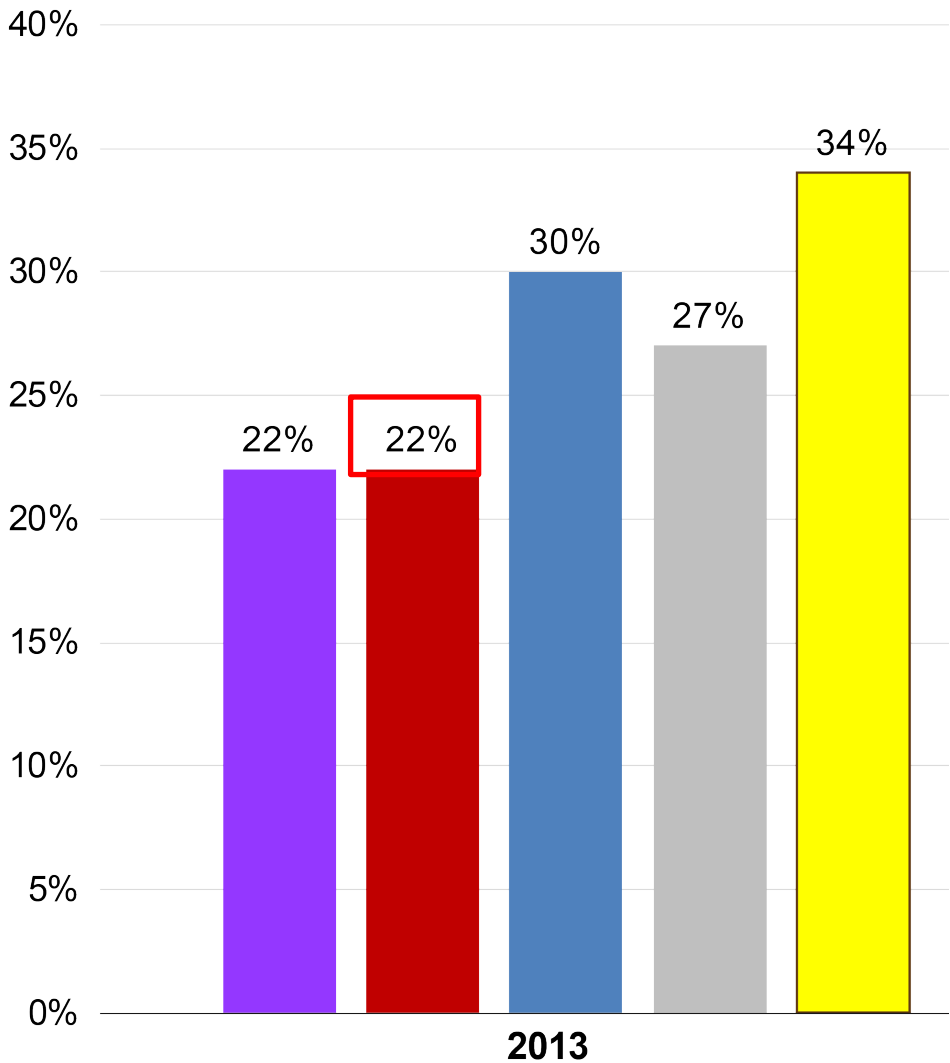
African-American and Hispanic/Latino R01eq Awardees* (Type 1 and 2) FY2013 and FY2018



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Funding Rates Mentored Career-Development (K-Series) Awardees*

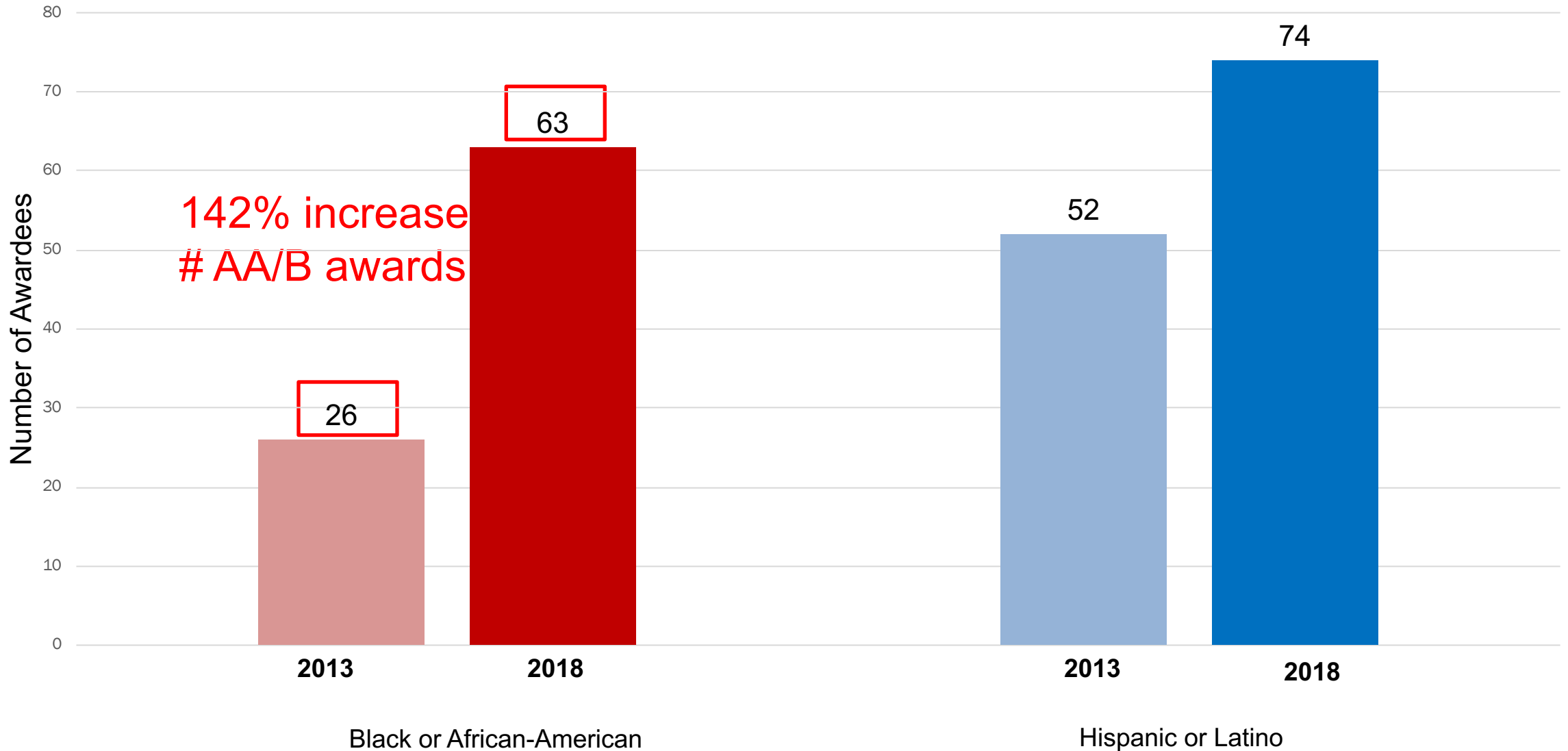
Type 1 and Type 2: FY2013 and FY2018



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■ American Indian/ Alaska Native ■ Black or African-American ■ Hispanic or Latino ■ Asian ■ White

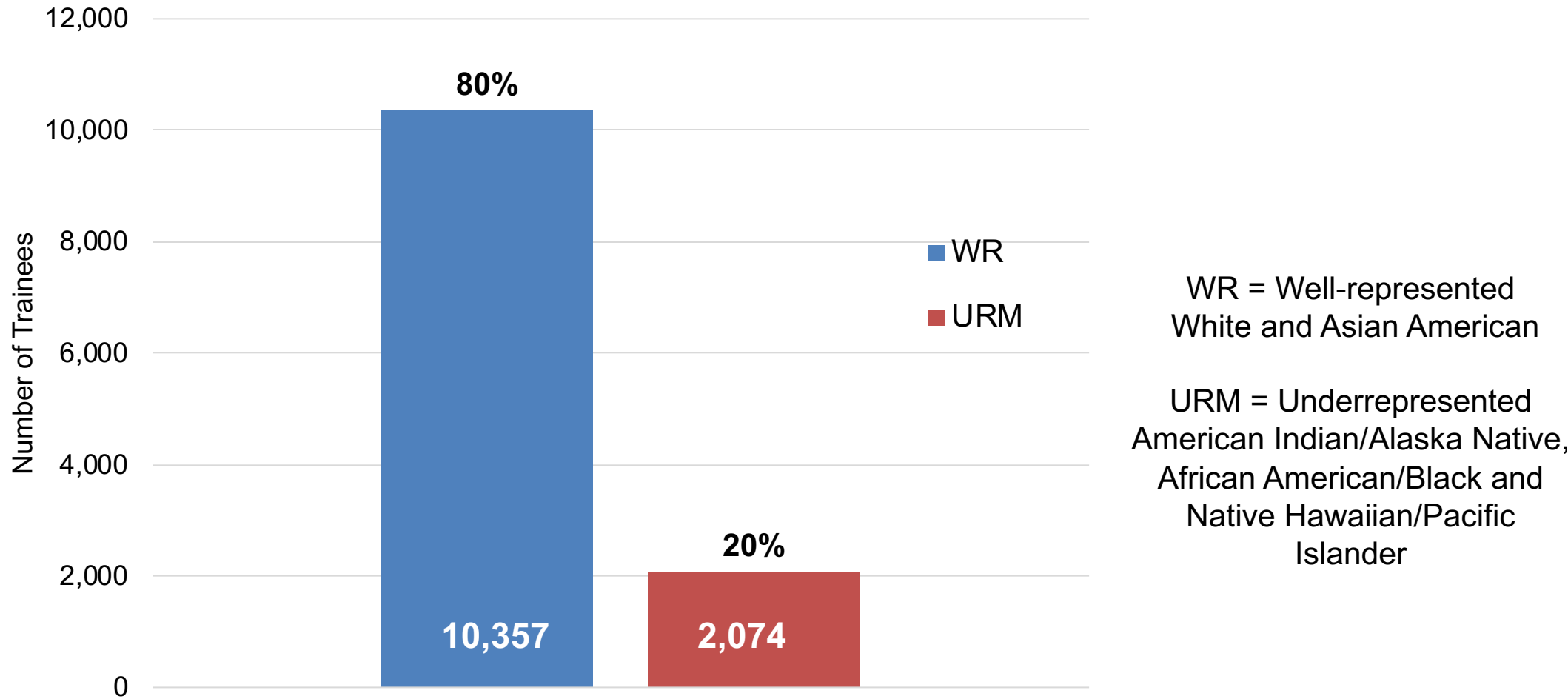
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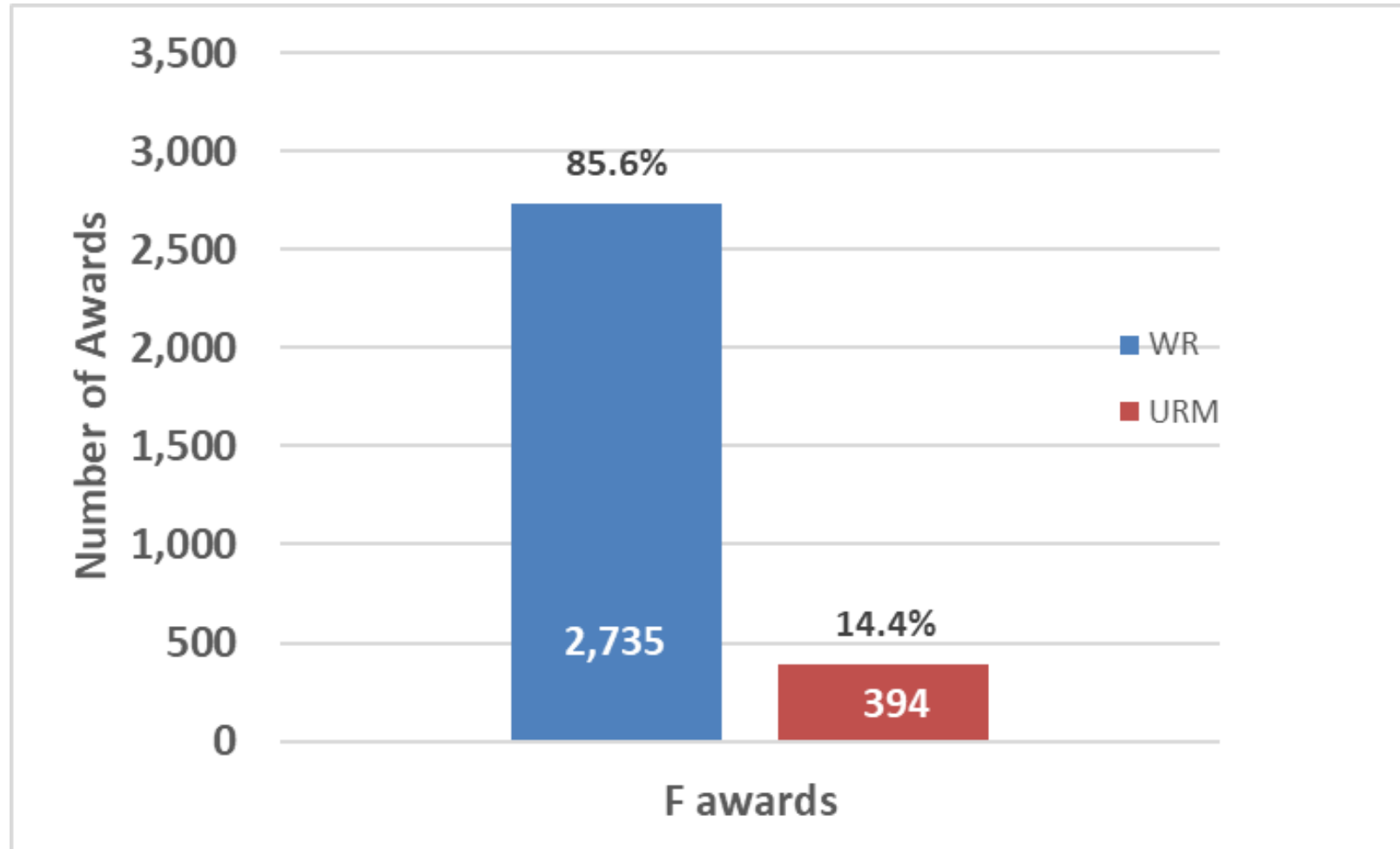
URMs Supported on Predoctoral and Postdoctoral Training* Grants (2018)

Increased to 20% from 12% in 2012



* T15, T32, T34, T35, T90, TL1, TL4

URM Trainees Supported on Predoctoral Fellowships (F31) and Postdoctoral Fellowships (F32) Increased in 2018 to 14.4% from 10% in 2012



WR = Well-represented
White and Asian American

URM = Underrepresented
American Indian/Alaska
Native, African
American/Black and Native
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

PhD Recipients in NIH-Relevant Fields

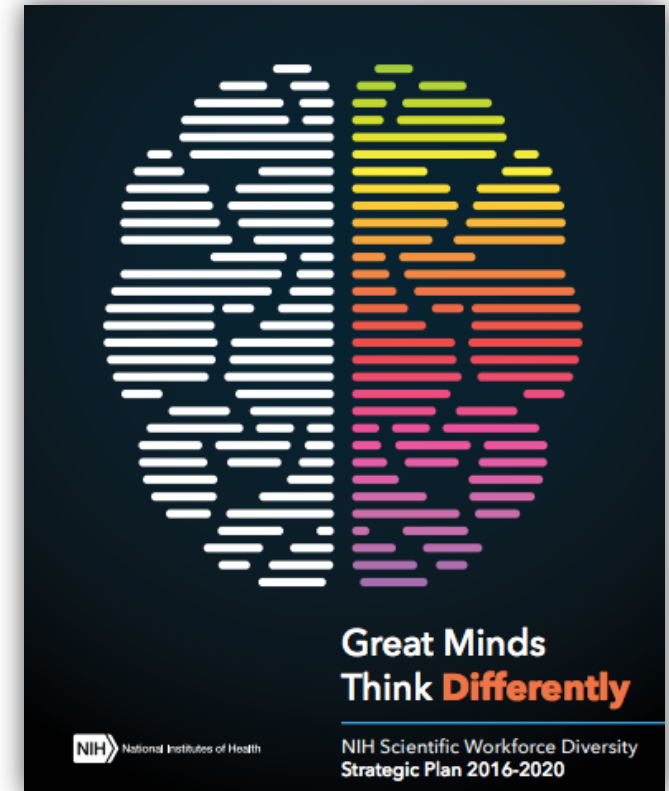
Increase in URM Representation (2012-2017)

Life Sciences						
Race/Ethnicity	Totals			Percentage		
	2012	2017	% Change	2012	2017	
Hispanic or Latino	493	606	22.92%	6.17%	7.07%	
American Indian or Alaska Native	24	25	4.16%	0.30%	0.29%	
Asian	934	1,014	8.56%	11.68%	11.84%	
Black or African American	448	577	28.79%	5.60%	6.74%	
White	5,880	6,059	3.04%	73.56%	70.72%	
More than one race	215	286	31.56%	2.69%	3.34%	
Totals	7,994	8,567		100.00%	100.00%	

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NIH Diversity Program Consortium

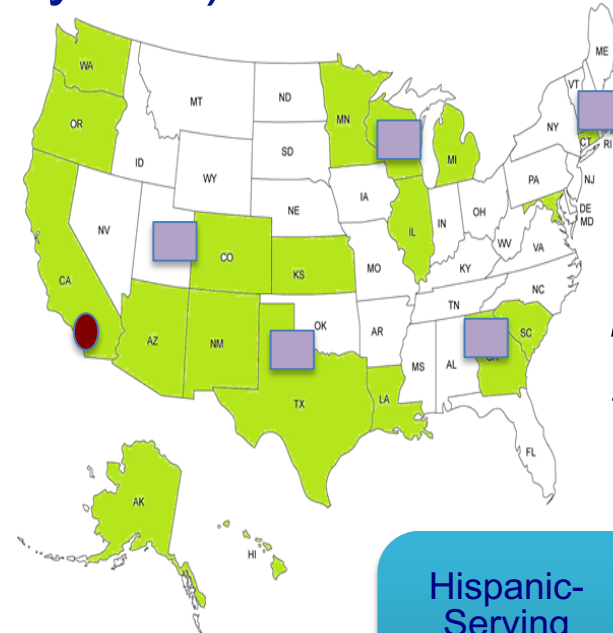
Building Evidence- Awards made October 2014

Total: \$250 million (5 years)

BUILD: 10 sites/experiments

NRMN

CEC



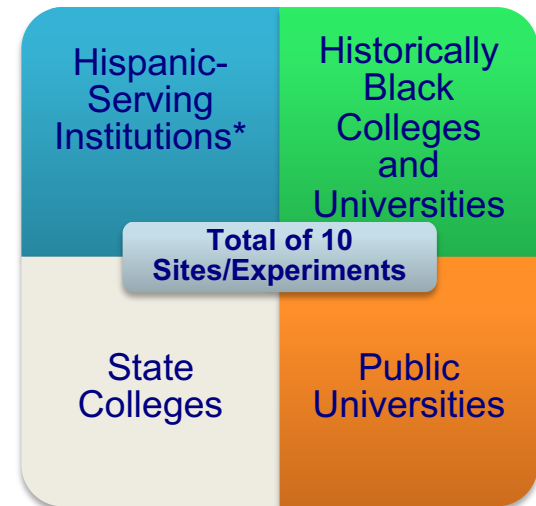
Phase II begins July 2019

BUILD Tested Interventions

- Stereotype threat
- Critical race theory
- Student entrepreneurship
- Living and learning communities

NRMN Activities

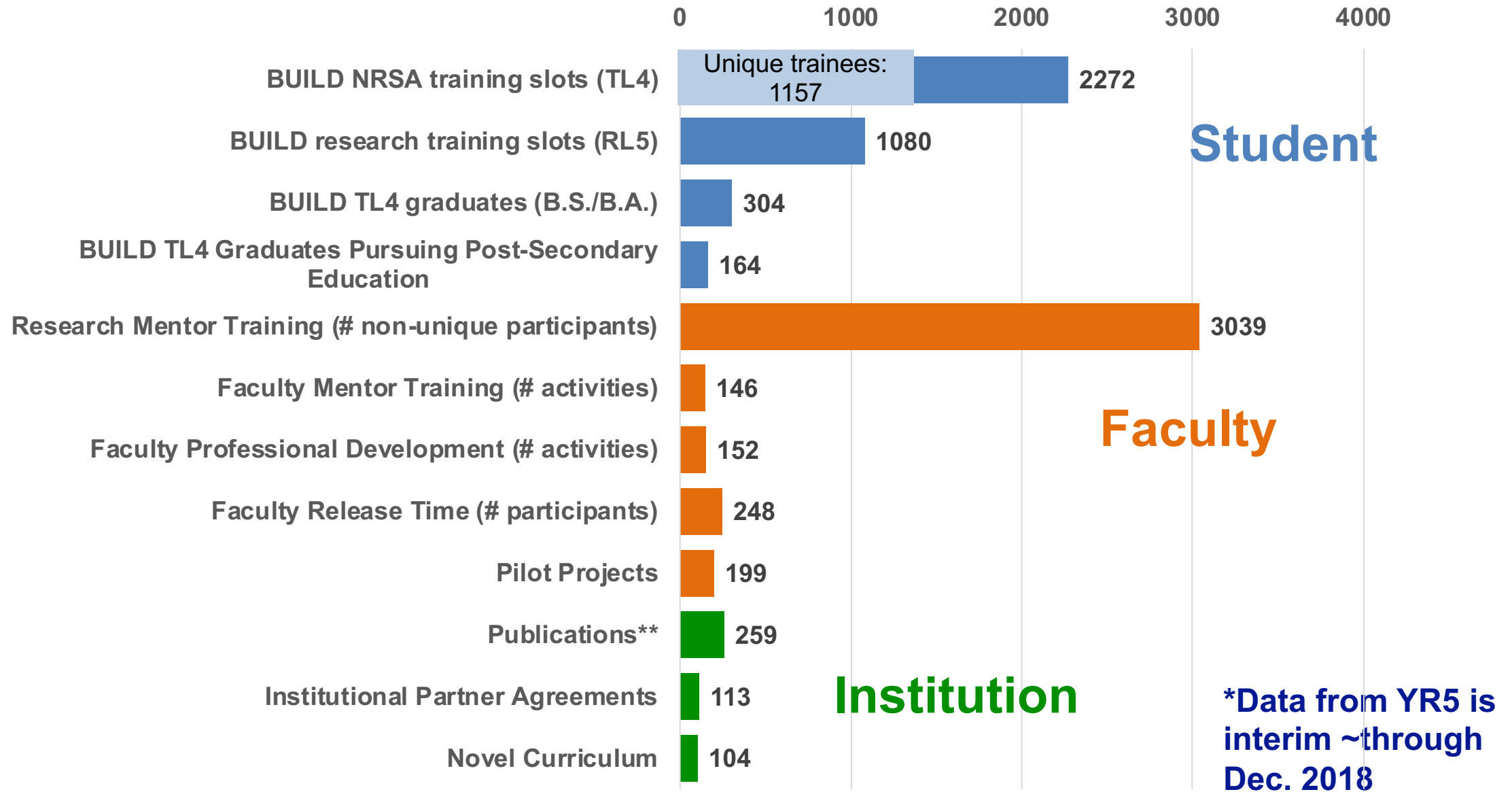
- Guided virtual mentorships
- MyNRMN tool
- Mentors: 3,470*
- Mentees: 5,690 *
- Grantwriting/coaching - mentees: 546*
 - 152 awards granted (89 NIH awards)



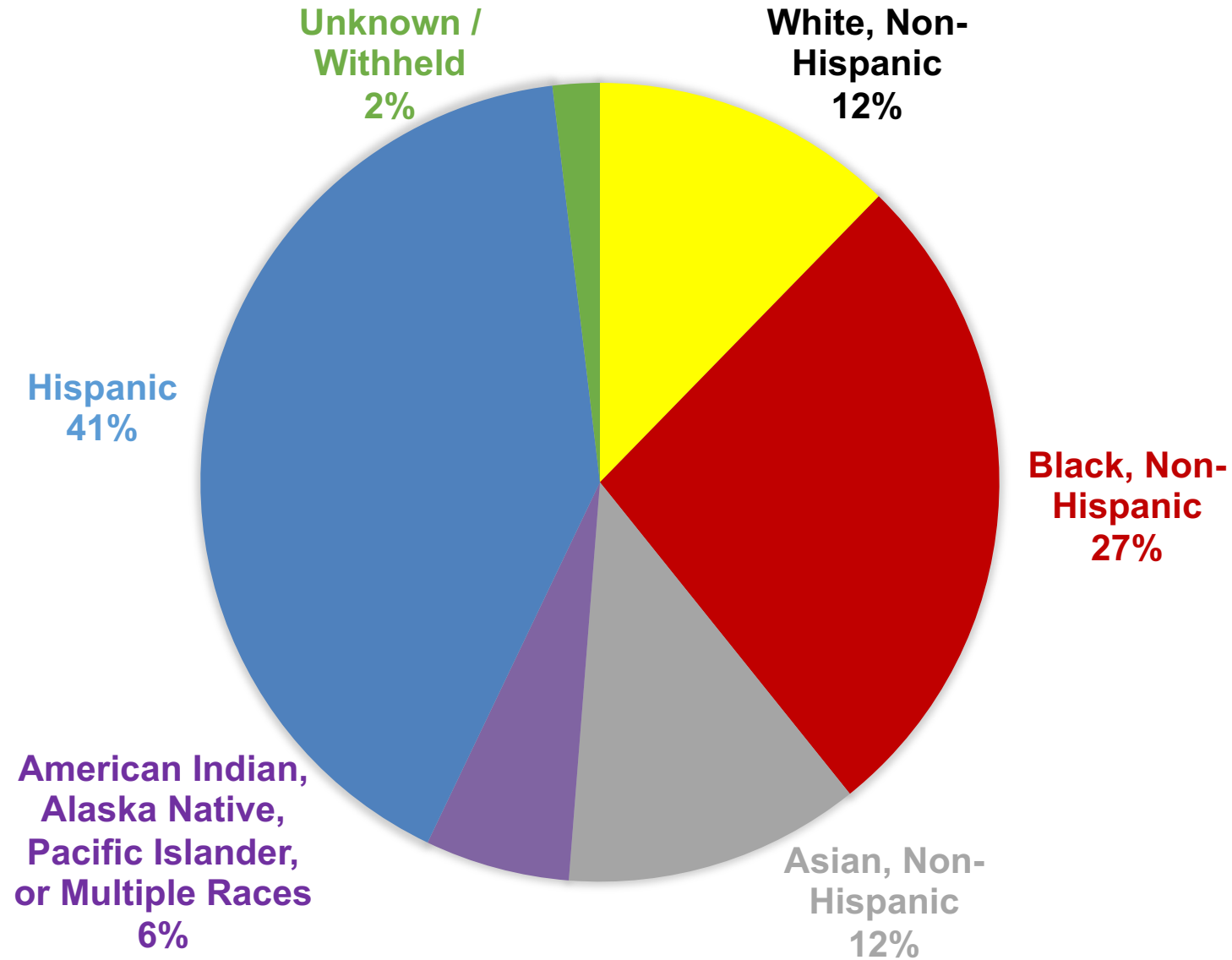
**Data as of January 2019*

**Track record of training Hispanic students*

BUILD Dashboard (Years 1-5*)



BUILD NRSA Demographics



Spring 2019 data
n=1138

NRMN Grantwriting/Coaching Program

By the Numbers

6

Grant writing/coaching programs (GCPs)

546

Investigator participants in all GCPs

89

NIH awards (71%URG, 73% Women)

152

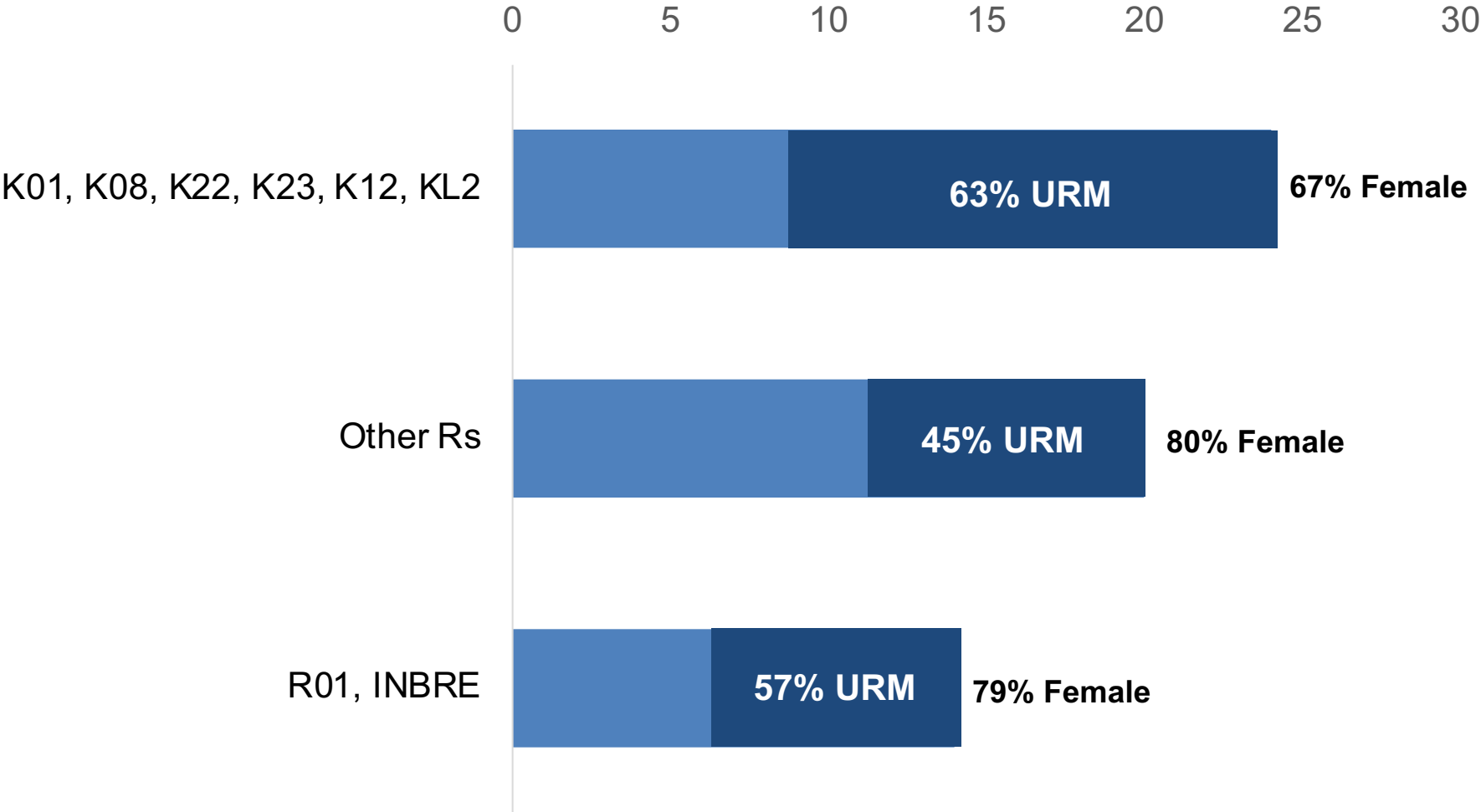
Awards (NIH + non-NIH)

\$65M

Total NIH funds across GCPs

NRMN Demographics of Grantwriting/Coaching Participants

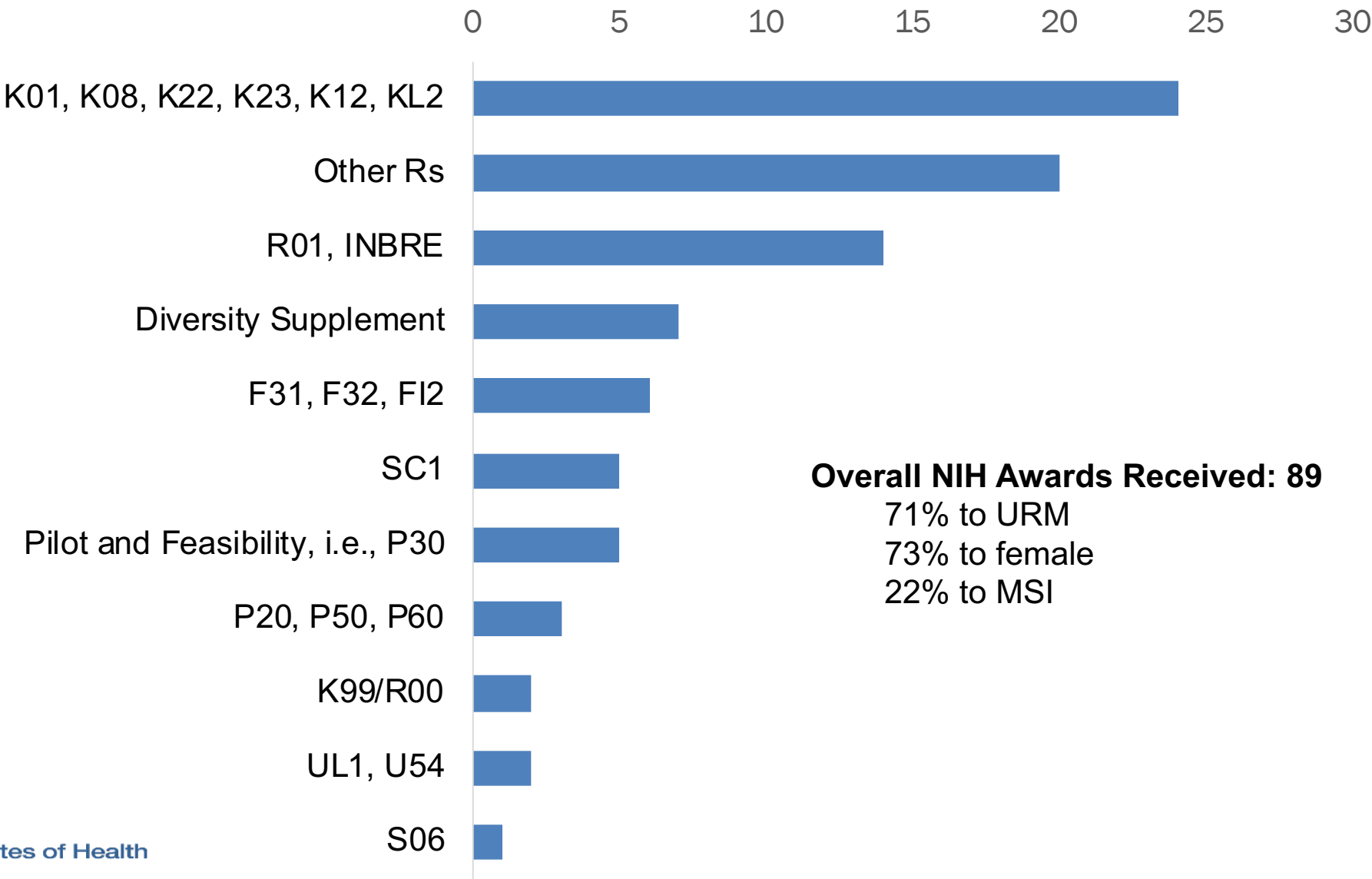
Grant Recipients (top categories)*



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NIH Awards to NRMN Grantwriting/Coaching Participants

Details by Award Types



DPC Timeline



**DIVERSITY
PROGRAM
CONSORTIUM**

*Supported by the National
Institutes of Health*

**Phase I: Develop and implement interventions & evaluations;
publish early findings**

\$250 million committed over 5 years



**Developing,
planning**

Implementing interventions, collecting data

**Phase II: Focus on continuing interventions, tracking and
evaluations, as well as sustainability and dissemination**



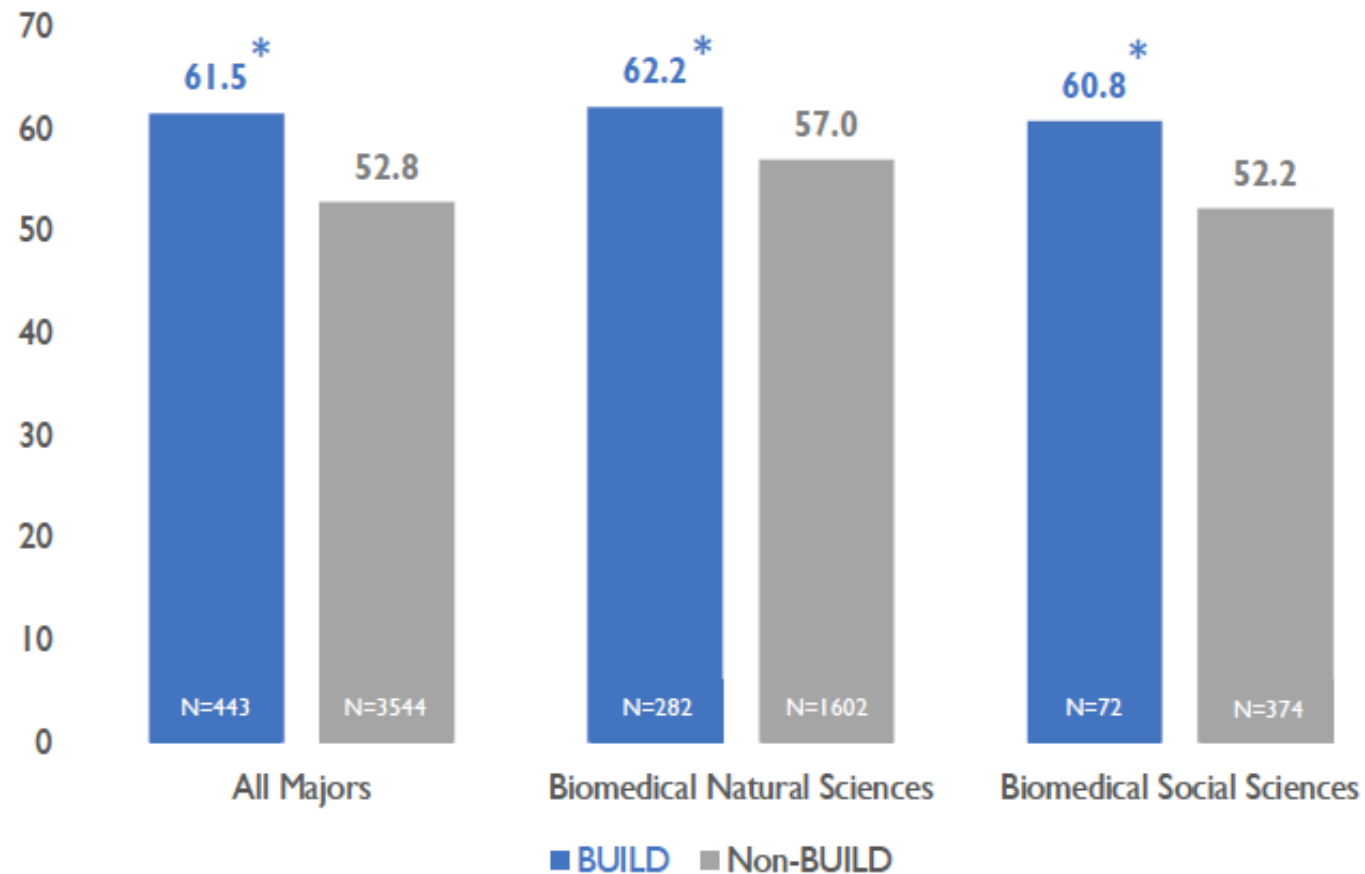
**Issued funding
announcements**

**Review
applications,
make awards**

Tracking and Evaluation of Diversity Metrics

Coordination and Evaluation Center (CEC)

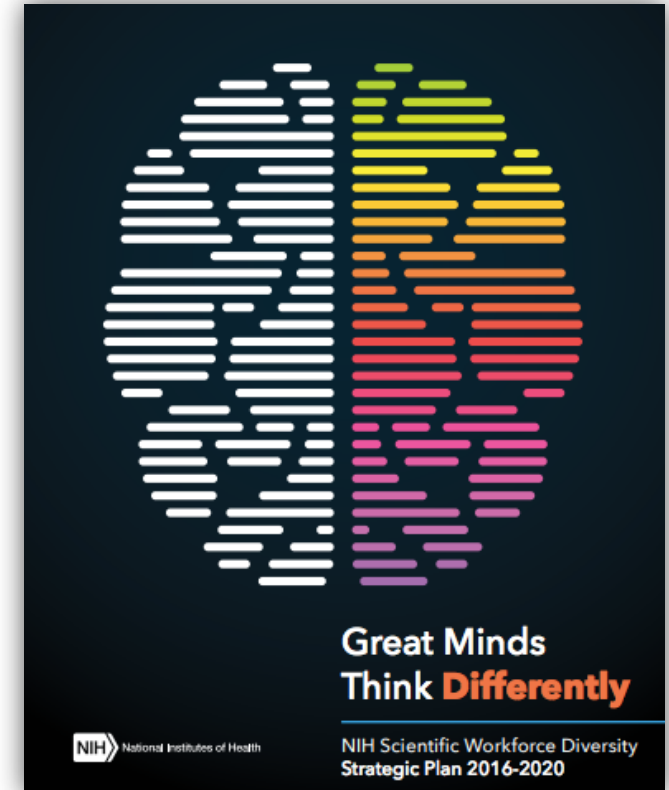
FIGURE 1. MEAN SCIENCE IDENTITY SCORES - BUILD AND NON-BUILD STUDENTS IN DIFFERENT TYPES OF BIOMEDICAL MAJORS



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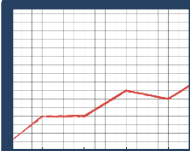


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2018 ACD WGD Recommendations (endorsed by ACD): *Implementation Update*

RESULTS-BASED ACCOUNTABILITY

1



Diversity/inclusion metrics reporting template

FACULTY INSTITUTIONAL RECRUITMENT FOR SUSTAINABLE TRANSFORMATION (FIRST)

2



Career-independence transition: Faculty-development institutional FOA for cohort model

NIH ADVANCING DIVERSITY PROGRAMS CONFERENCE (JUNE 24, 2019)

3



National diversity/inclusion conference

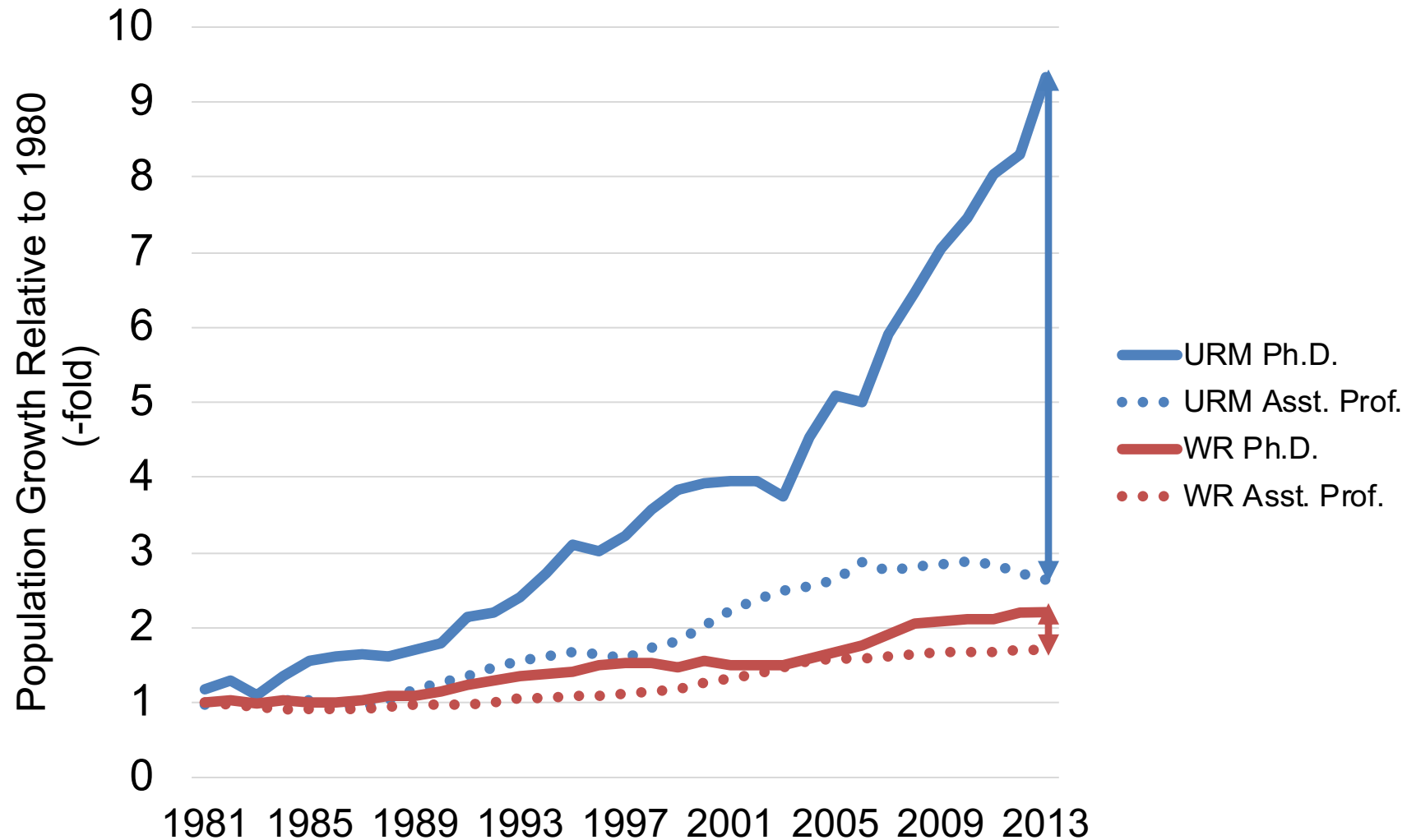
ENHANCE MENTORING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

4



Diversity supplements: Trans-agency standards

Decoupling the Minority PhD Talent Pool and Assistant Professor Hiring



NIH Distinguished Scholars Program Goals:

Cohort Model in NIH's Intramural Research program

- Institutional transformation by recruiting a substantial number of PIs with demonstrated commitment to inclusive excellence (15 per year)
- Build self-reinforcing community of PIs committed to diversity and inclusion
- Provide professional development and culture that values mentoring and inclusion
- Send the message that NIH values a commitment to inclusive excellence



Extramural: Request for Information (RFI): Institutional Accountability to Promote Inclusive Excellence
Release Date : February 25, 2019; **Response Date:** June 14, 2019

Faculty Institutional Recruitment for Sustainable Transformation

FIRST Program Goals

- Promote inclusive excellence
 - Address racial/ethnic, gender gaps in postdoc > faculty transitions
- FIRST would be the first nationwide attempt to enhance inclusive excellence through NIH-funded institutional transformation
- Institutional transformation
 - Recruit critical mass of PIs with demonstrated commitment to diversity and inclusion
- Professional development and culture that values mentoring and inclusion
 - Institution sends message that it values diversity and inclusion

Progress on Key Data Points (2018) Summary

- **Research Grants - R01**

- Increase in # URG applicants
- Increase in # awardees and award rate
- B/AA – White gap slightly narrowed

- **Mentored Career development – K series**

- Increase # URG applicants, # awardees and award rate
- B/AA – White gap significantly narrowed

- **Predoctoral and postdoctoral fellowships**

- Increase in # URGs

- **PhD recipients (Life science, chemistry, math)**

- Increase in # URGs (14% of pool)



**Great minds
think differently ...**

QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION